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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Disclosed is a rotary actuated axial clamp that includes a
primary fixture, having a rotatable primary clamp, having
primary clamp fingers that engage secondary clamp fingers
on a stationary secondary clamp. The primary fixture is
attached to a positioner, while the secondary fixture is
attached to the work piece. Different secondary fixtures can
be utilized to fit the shape and size of the work piece, while
maintaining a secondary clamp that is able to engage the
primary clamp of the primary fixture. The primary fixture
can consequently be utilized with numerous different work
pieces having different shapes and sizes by simply modify-
ing a secondary fixture to adapt to the size and shape of the
work piece. Roller engagement of the primary clamp and
secondary clamp reduces the force required to clamp and
unclamp the primary and secondary fixtures. This reduces
problems associated with attaching a work piece to a posi-
tioner.

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